

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

GEORGE W. GILLIS,)

Plaintiff,)

v.)

BRIAN CLARK and)
ROBERT KIMBALL,)

Defendants.)

CIVIL ACTION
NO. 12-12043-PBS

**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION ON
DEFENDANTS' MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT**

June 13, 2014

DEIN, U.S.M.J.

I. INTRODUCTION

The plaintiff, George W. Gillis ("Gillis"), is a resident of Norton, Massachusetts. On about September 12, 2012, Gillis filed the instant action in the Bristol County Superior Court against Brian Clark ("Clark"), the Chief of Police for the Town of Norton, and Robert Kimball ("Kimball"), a member of the Town's Board of Selectmen. Gillis alleges that Clark and Kimball deprived him of his right to free speech under the First and Fourteenth Amendments to the Constitution, as well as under the Massachusetts Declaration of Rights, by confronting him in an intimidating manner and threatening to sue him for displaying signs containing disparaging statements about them. By his amended complaint, Gillis has asserted claims against each of the defendants for

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After a review of the report and
recommendation and the objections, I accept the
recommendation and allow the motion for
summary judgment.
F. J. J. J. J.